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Applicant: Powell et al.

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AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
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In response to the Office Action dated March 26, 2003, Applicants hereby submit the following amendment:

IN THE CLAIMS

26. (Twice Amended) A connector stick device for connection with at least two electrical cables using a crimping device, said connector stick device comprising:

a plurality of connectors;

each of said connectors having opposing sides; and

wherein at least one of said opposing sides of each connector is removably connected to one of said opposing sides of a different connector by an ultrasonic weld, and further wherein said weld is breakable during the connection of the at least two electrical cables.